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In re application of:
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MOTOR SEALING TECHNIQUE

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT
AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) dated August 3, 2001, Applicant hereby submits the following to take the place of the "IN THE SPECIFICATION" section of the Response to Office Action mailed July 20, 2001 by Applicant.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph 5 on page 3, beginning at line 25, through page 4, line 15 with the following paragraph:

Referring to FIG. 1, especially the left-hand side thereof, the basic elements of a typical spindle motor includes a fixed shaft 10 which supports for rotation a sleeve 12 having a hub or the like 14 which has a flange 16 capable of supporting one or more disc for rotation thereon. A thrust plate 20 is supported at one end of the shaft, with the hydrodynamic bearing or bearings 22

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